



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

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SHEA AUSTIN-BROWN

Serial No.: 09/702,374

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For: METHODS FOR EXTENDING THE FRESHNESS  
OF CUT FLOWERS, ORNAMENTAL TREES  
AND PLANT CUTTINGS

Confirmation No.: 2238

Group Art Unit: 1616

Examiner: Alton Nathaniel Pryor

Attorney Docket: 4380.000400/KDG

**CUSTOMER NO. 23720**

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO  
FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 17, 2004**

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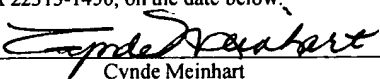
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of three months to and including May 17, 2005, in which to respond to the final Office Action dated November 17, 2004. Applicants wish to point out to the Examiner that a one-month extension of time was filed with the Response to Final Office Action Dated November 17, 2004. The fee of \$60 for a one-month extension for a small entity was submitted. Therefore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, the fee for the remaining balance of the extension fee in the amount of \$450 is included in the enclosed check.

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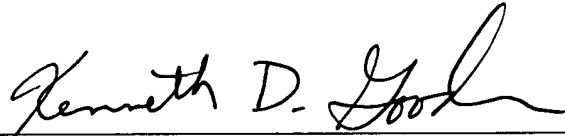
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